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| For              | : | EFFICIENT REDUCTION OF<br>TARGET RNA'S BY SINGLE-<br>AND DOUBLE-STRANDED<br>OLIGOMERIC COMPOUNDS |
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION****Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2006, in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.